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Energy & Technology Committee

HB 176 – An Act Concerning Shared Clean Energy Facilities

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Co-Chairs Arconti and Needleman, Ranking Members Formica and Ferraro and other members of the Committee:

As you may know the Doosan Corporation is a global company with 42,000 employees and worldwide revenue of more than \$16 billion. Our global businesses span a range of products and services in infrastructure support and power generation. In 2014, Doosan made the decision to invest in Connecticut and acquired the former UTC Power, where we employ 300 people at our fuel cell headquarters in East Hartford and at our world-class R&D and manufacturing facility in South Windsor, where we produce 50 - 60 MW of our PureCell® Model 400 fuel cell systems each year. Worldwide, Doosan currently has over 900 units and 400 MW operating, under construction or awarded.

Recently, Doosan Fuel Cell America changed its name to HyAxiom, Inc. which is designed to emphasize our belief and commitment to the hydrogen-led future of clean and sustainable energy. In addition to our current stationary fuel cells, we will soon be offering additional products that will support the hydrogen economy even further.

HyAxiom appreciates the opportunity to provide comments regarding **SB 176** – **An Act** Concerning Shared Clean Energy Facilities. HyAxiom, formerly Doosan Fuel Cell America, has participated in the first three years of the program and looks forward to participating in the next three. We support the recommended changes such as increasing the project cap from 4 MW to 5 MW; increasing the overall program cap from 25 MW to 35 MW, along with allowing any unused capacity to be rolled over to the next year; as well as requiring a certain percentage of projects to be located in environmental justice communities. However, it would be beneficial to have a clearer definition of an environmental justice community in the State of Connecticut.

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HyAxiom would like to thank the Committee for their hard work on this important piece of legislation and for their commitment and support of the clean energy industry over the years. We look forward to working with the Committee as the process moves forward.